DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE Security Committee

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MEMORANDUM FOR: SECOM Members

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FROM:

Chairman

SUBJECT:

Unauthorized Disclosures of Classified Intelligence

REFERENCE:

DCI Memorandum to NFIB dated 2 Oct 84, same subject

- 1. In the referent memorandum, the DCI reaffirmed his earlier advice to NFIB Members that he had established within the Security Committee a central facility to compile and analyze information on the publication of unauthorized disclosures of classified intelligence. The reference asked each NFIB Member to designate a focal point to ensure referral to SECOM of data needed on intelligence leaks.
- 2. The Security Committee Staff is now developing an analytical resource system for recording and tracking media publications of unauthorized disclosures of intelligence sources, methods and product to implement the DCI's direction. It is anticipated that the system will assist significantly in management reporting and in supporting Community agencies by developing additional information of value to them in the investigative process.
- 3. Development of this analytical resource will require that each member agency, at the time it identifies the publication of an apparent intelligence disclosure, complete a brief input form (a sample of which is attached) and forward it to the Security Committee. It would be useful to attach to this form a copy of the article or broadcast transcript containing the

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disclosure. The Agency originating the compromised intelligence would be expected, in all cases, to report the disclosure. Transmission of the input form may be preceded by a secure telephone call to SECOM advising of the occurrence of the leak and the contributing agency's interest in the matter. Member agencies which can authoritatively determine that an apparent disclosure does not contain currently classified intelligence are requested to so advise the Security Committee.

- 4. Contributing agencies are requested to advise SECOM by an updated input form or secure phone of pertinent supplements to the initial report, such as:
 - a. When an investigation is initiated.
 - b. When an investigation is discontinued or closed.
 - c. When the matter is referred to the Department of Justice/ Federal Bureau of Investigation.
 - d. Other significant developments.
- 5. Damage assessment data and specific identification of what published information is classified will be considered privileged and will not be disseminated to other Community agencies without prior approval of the originator.
- 6. During the test period before the analytical system becomes fully operational, SECOM plans to provide contributing agencies with information from the system. This will include: prior or additional intelligence disclosures of similar information; other disclosures by the same publication, disclosures within specific time frames, etc., as reported on Community input forms and as determined by the SECOM Staff. Eventually, the reporting on

these forms as well as certain retrospective information will be available for analysts and reporting.

7. The usefulness of the system will depend on the full cooperation of Community departments and agencies.

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